

Shred Event FAQs

Q: Do I need to remove staples and paperclips from my files?

A. No! All staples, paperclips, small binder clips, page protectors, laminated pages, envelope windows, and similar items are OK to stay in the files.

Q: Do I need to separate colored paper from white?

A. All paper material is recycled into paper products and will be bleached, so separation is not needed.

Q: I have 3-ring binders. Do I need to take the paper material out or can I send the binder as is?

A. Unless you wish to keep and reuse the binder, we will take it as is. No need to empty it!

Q: Does your shredder strip cut or cross cut?

A. Our shredder grinds the material into bits about the size of a quarter. In addition, there is a screen that redirects any scrap that is larger than a quarter back into the shredder to be shredded again.

Q: What happens with the shredded paper material?

A. All shredded paper is sent to paper mills to be recycled into paper products. The most common products are paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, and dental bibs.

Q: Do you destroy CDs, floppy disks, and other media storage items?

A. We destroy those items separately in a grinder that grinds them into small bits.

Q: Can I drop off hard drives, tablets, and other electronics that I need destroyed?

A. We do destroy those items. However, given the complexities of the process, they are not part of the shred event promotion. Please inquire for more details and a quote.

Q: Can I drop off documents that I shredded at home?

A. Material shredded at home will be accepted during this event. The material will be placed into bins with padlocks on the truck.